

**Remarks**

The amendment above was made to correct the date of the deposit. The amendment does not add new matter to the application, and its entry is therefore respectfully requested.

It is believed that the present application is now in condition for immediate allowance and early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a phone call may help to expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' undersigned attorney at (703) 905-2173

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## Appendix

### Version with Markings to Show Changes Made

Page 14, line 10 of the specification has been amended herein. The change that was made is shown below with the underlined words indicating text that was added and bracketed words indicating text that was removed.

The second full paragraph on page 14 was amended as follows:

A pure culture of the Escherichia coli K-12 strain DH5 $\alpha$ /pMAK705 was deposited on 8th September 2000 [12th September 2000] at the Deutsche Sammlung für Mikroorganismen und Zellkulturen (DSMZ = German Collection of Microorganisms and Cell Cultures, Braunschweig, Germany) in accordance with the Budapest Treaty as DSM 13720.